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SUBJ: SHOTS FIRED INTO UKRAINIAN MISSION

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1. WE HAVE RECD NOTE VERBALE DATED JAN 20, 1975 FROM
UKRAININA MISSION RELATIVE TO SHOOTING INCIDENT OF JAN 19.
INFOR MAL TRANSLATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

"ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 1975 AT ABOUT 3:00 A.M.,
BUILDING IN WHICH USSR, UKRAINIAN AND BYELORUSSIAN
MISSIONS TO UN ARE LOCATED, AND IN WHICH PART OF THEIR
EMPLOYEES LIVE, WAS FIRED UPON. AS A RESULT, TWO BULLE
HOLES OCCURRED IN RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT OCCUPIED BY
PERSONNEL OF UKRAINIAN PERMANENT MISSION TO UN. ONE
BULLET PIERCED A GLASS WINDOW IN LIVING ROOM WHERE A
UKRAINIAN MISSION ATTACHE LIVES, BUT, FORTUNATELY, NO
ONE WAS IN ROOM. ANOTHER BULLET PIERCED A GLASS WINDOW
"IN A ROOM AT DISPOSAL OF VARIOUS PEOPLE. AT TIME
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OF SHOOTING, A UKRAINIAN CITIZEN, WHO IS LIVING IN

NEW ON A UNESCO STIPEND, WAS IN THIS ROOM. BY LUCK OF CIRCUMSTANCE, BULLET DID NOT HIT HIM. BOTH BULLETS WHICH PIERCED WINDOWS HIT WALLS OPPOSITE AND WERE FOUND ON FLOOR.

"MEMBERS OF POLICE AND FBI CALLED BY US PERSONALLY WERE ABLE CONFIRM COMMISSION OF THIS CRIMINAL ACT. AFTERWARDS, 19TH PRECINCT POLICE REPORTED TO MISSION THAT THEY HAD FOUND A RIFLE AND THREE SPENT SHELLS ON CONSTRUCTION SITE, LOCATED OPPOSITE MISSION BUILDING, BETWEEN 67TH AND 68TH STREETS.

" POLICE OFFICIALS AND FBI AGENTS PHOTOGRAPHED HOLES IN WINDOWS AS WELL AS OF BULLETS FOUND. THESE BULLETS WERE HANDED OVER TO THEM. THUS, POLICE AND FBI HAVE IN THEIR POSSESSION MATERIAL EVIDENCE OF THIS CRIMINAL TERRORIST ACT COMMITTED AGAINST UKRAINIAN MISSION.

" IT IS IMPOSSIBLE NOT TO DRAW ATTENTION TO FACT THAT ON DAY BEFORE, JANUARY 18TH BETWEEN 10.00 P.M. AND MIDNIGHT, GROUP OF PERSONS INIMICALLY DISPOSED TOWARD SOVIET UNION, WHO CALLED THEMSELVES MEMBERS OF NORORIOUS "JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE;" GATHERED IN VICINITY OF MISSION BUILDING. PARTICIPANTS IN THIS GATHERING SET UP A WILD INHUMAN CLAMOR, DISPLAYED HOSTILE ANTI-SOVIET SLOGANS AND SCREAMED CRIMINAL IMPRECATIONS" ' WE WANT TO SEE RUSSIAN BLOOD ON STREETS OF NEW YORK*' FROM THIS IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO RULE OUT THAT NAMELY, ONE OF PARTICIPANS IN THIS HOSTILE ZIONIST MOB, INCITED BY THIS SORT OF CRIMINAL IMPRECATION, COMMITTED THIS CRIMINAL ACT--SHOT AT THE UKRAINIAN MISSION BUILDING. CONSEQUENTLY, RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS ACT LIES WITH ORGANIZERS OF ANTI-SOVIET MOB MENTIONED WHO INSTIGATED TO PHYSICAL VIOLENCE UPON SOVIET CITIZENS. ON FOLLOWING DAY, IN EVENING, EVEN AFTER FIRING ON UKRAINIAN MISSION BUILDING, THIS VERY SAME HOSTILE TO SOVIET UNION ZIONIST 'LEAGUE' ONCE AGAIN ORGANIZED A HOSTILE ANTI-SOVIET MOB, SCREAMING AND DISPLAYING SLOGANS OF A CRIMINALLY PUNISHABLE CHARACTER.

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" ACCORDING TO INFORMATION IN AMERICAN PRESS, CHIEF ORGANIZER OF THIS HOSTILE MOB WAS LEADER OF THIS "LEAGUE,Z RABBI M. KAHANE, CONVICTED FOR FIVE YEARS BY AN AMERICAN COUN IN 1971 FOR ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES. ONE OF HIS FOLLOWERS AND ACCOMPLICES IN THIS HOSTILE GATHERING, ALAN ROKOFF, AS WAS AFFIRMED IN "NEW YORK TIMES" OF JANUARY 20, IN REPLYING TO A QUESTION RELATING TO FIRING ON UKRAINIAN MISSION BUILDING, BRAZENLY STATED THAT

JDL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE ACTIVITIES.

"THUS, SUCH AN ATTITUDE OF THIS CRIMINAL 'LEAGUE' TOWARD CRIMINAL TERRORIST SHOOTING ON UKRAINIAN MISSION BUILDING LAYS BASIS FOR CONSIDERING ORGANIZERS OF THIS 'LEAGUE' ANSWERABLE FOR THIS CRIME AND FOR TWO ANTI-SOVIET GATHERINGS NOTED ABOVE, FOR IT IS IMPOSSIBLE NOT TO SEE DIRECT CONNECTION BETWEEN OVERT THREATS OF ZIONIST EXTREMISTS AT THESE DEMONSTRATIONS AND CRIME OF AN INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER---FIRING ON PREMISES OF A FOREIGN DIPLOMATIC MISSION--PERMANENT MISSION OF UKRAINIAN SSR TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

"IN DRAWING ALL OF ABOVE STATED TO ATTENTION OF USUN, UKRAINIAN MISSION LODGES STRONG PROTEST AND FIRMLY DEMANDS SEARCH FOR AN PUNISHMENT OF PERPETRATORS WHO COMMITTED THIS CRIMINAL ACT--FIRING ON UKRAINIAN MISSION BUILDING, AS WELL AS THOSE WHO INSTIGATED AND PROVOKED THIS CRIMINALLY PUNISHABLE ACT.

"UKRAINIAN MISSION FIRMLY INSISTS AS WELL ON TAKING OF ALL NECESSARY STEPS BY LOCAL AND FEDERAL AMERICAN AUTHORITIES TO GUARANTEE SECURITY OF PERSONNEL OF MISSION AND TO STRENGTHEN PROTECTION OF THIS BUILDING."
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